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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED
EXAMINING GROUP 2652
PATENT**
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 04173.0348

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Hideaki FUKUZAWA et al.)	Group Art Unit: 2652
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Application No.: 08/940,020)	Examiner: Davis, David Donald
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Filed: September 29, 1997)	
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For: MAGNETORESISTANCE EFFECT)	
DEVICE HAVING HARD)	
MAGNETIC FILM STRUCTURAL)	
BODY)	

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to reply to the Final Office Action of July 27, 2004. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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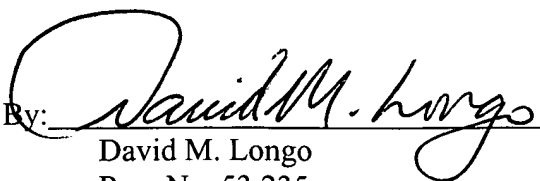
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Dated: November 29, 2004

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